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Sir:

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Attached are copies of three Japanese patent documents, which were first cited in the attached Japanese Office Action (English-language translation attached), mailed on September 11, 2007. Any relevance of the documents can be gleaned from the attached English-language abstracts. The documents are listed on the attached form PTO-1449.

It is brought to the Examiner's attention that documents Nos. JP 10-178044 A, JP 2001-177045 A, JP 61-075488 A and JP 2002-093830 A, which were also cited in the Japanese Office Action, were previously listed on the form PTO-1449 submitted with the IDS filed on August 25, 2006. Document No. JP 2000-208556, which was also cited in the Japanese Office Action, was previously listed on the form PTO-1449 submitted with the IDS filed on October 31, 2003.

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